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Our New Banner

Do you like our new Banner, or "Flag"? It was designed for us by Hannah Lithographers, of Bancroft.

It displays our legal name, "Cardiff Courier," appropriately in a Courier style font. Below this is the designation for either the "Bancroft Edition" or "Wilberforce Edition."

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Wild Game Feast at Wilberforce

By Stewart Smith

Some 150 people came to the Wilberforce Legion Hall - Branch 624 - on Saturday afternoon, December 2, to enjoy the annual Wild Game Supper.

This Wild Game

Supper is a tradition, held the first Saturday in December of each year. It is specifically planned to be a couple of weeks after hunting season. Some of the fruits of the hunt are done - see page 5



Old Soldiers Never Die! They come back to their Legion Branch to watch for exciting Coming Attractions - like the Wild Game Supper held on Saturday, December 2

Plan Snowarama

by Ann W. Smith

Representatives of the 3 snowmobile clubs in the North Hastings and Eastern Haliburton area met at the Black Forest Schnitzel House on Thursday November 29 to learn how to organize a Snowarama for the purpose of raising money for the Easter Seal Society of Ontario.

The meeting was facilitated by the Bancroft and District Chamber of Commerce led by President Sharon Holman and Manager Gord Mackey. Doug Holman of the Schnitzel House was an enthusiastic supporter.

The Easter Seal Society was represented by Judi

Simons, Provincial Snowarama Manager, and Jackie Steele, Snowarama assistant, whose job is to liaise with the co-ordinators of each Snowarama event and make sure they have all the needed supplies.

A video was shown to explain how a Snowarama is organized.

Snowmobilers are encouraged to join

by being offered prizes, the value of which increases with the level of the fundraising pledge.

The main purpose of the event is to raise money for the Easter Seal Society of Ontario.

The Easter Seal Society is dedicated to helping

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ROAD CONDITIONS

Haliburton County Information Centre

Winter has arrived in full flurry and the Ministry of Transportation is there to provide you with road conditions information.

The Ministry of Transportation has up-to-date information on road conditions on provincial and secondary highways.

These phone lines are accessible 7 days a week, 24 hours a day.

So before heading out to do your Christmas shopping or visiting, call the Road Reporting Service to see what type of trip you will have.

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We Are Invited

From Tamarack Women's Centre

You [all of us] are cordially invited to Tamarack Women's Centre for the Christmas Open House on Thursday, December 21st.

Join us for pot luck lunch at noon with carol-sing-

ing.

Or come by for hot apple cider and Christmas cookies from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Men are also welcome on this special occasion. "Goodwill to all."

Tamarack Women's Centre, Bancroft, at 613-332-1878.

Bancroft Welcomes Santa With Parade



"Hansel and Gretel's Christmas" was the theme of this float, prepared by Dean Walker and the John Pogue family for the Bancroft Santa Claus Parade of December 2, 1995

By Stewart Smith

A bright sky and warm sun - together with a surprising chilly bite to the air - welcomed Santa Claus to Bancroft, on Saturday afternoon, December 2.

Pete Klein, organizer of the parade for the Bancroft Lions Club, tells of 50 entries.

Most schools participated. There was a prize for best school float. * North Hastings High School led

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Bicroft Wants Bancroft Policing

By Stewart Smith

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT the proposal to integrate Bicroft Township O.P.P. coverage with the Bancroft Detachment be unanimously endorsed and further, this implementation occur as soon as possible, but no later than January 1, 1996."

This motion was passed at the Bicroft Township Council meeting in the Cardiff Township, on Thursday evening, November 23.

Thus Bicroft agreed with Cardiff Township, which had made a similar request on Tuesday November 21.

Both Townships had welcomed representatives of the O.P.P. to their meetings.

Bicroft Reeve Bill Howe intro-

duced Detachment Commander Bernie Gaw (Bancroft) and Sergeant Wayne Galloway.

Bernie Gaw reported on a series of meetings, and decisions.

As of January 1, 1996, Apsley and Bancroft O.P.P. Detachments will be amalgamating. Mr. Gaw added, "We're looking forward to amalgamation with the Apsley staff."

Bancroft O.P.P. Detachment will take over most of the territory of the Apsley O.P.P. Detachment, and its police officers.

Part of the former Apsley detachment territory will go:

1) The area south of Eel's Creek Park to Kawartha, Peterborough.

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Children's Show at L'Atelier

By Stewart Smith

"What attracts, what delights and, I say even, moves us, in CHILDREN's pictures? Candor/sincerity, movement and clear, clean colours." This message, by Leon Bakst, ca. 1909, was displayed on the wall of L'Atelier gallery, in Bancroft, on Sunday afternoon, November 19, during the art show of "Instant Kandinsky's."

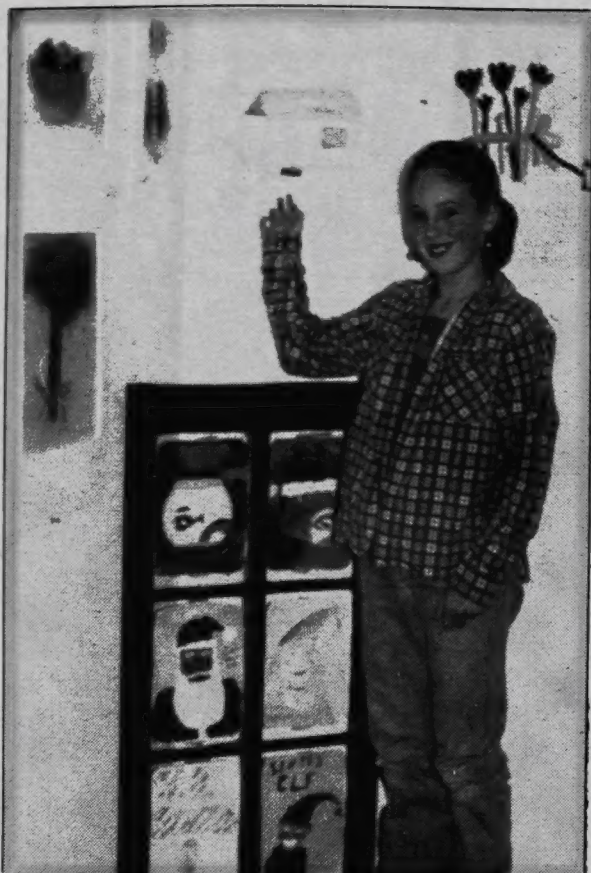
Wassily Kandinsky also from the early 1900's, was another great admirer of children's art.

This show was at the gallery of artist Arne Roosman. The gallery is off Bridge Street, in Bancroft, in a basement area under the historic hotel building, now home for the York River Tavern.

L'Atelier is open 5 days a week: 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Normally it is closed on Saturdays and Sundays.

Here are offered various art activities, some for adults, and some for children. The exhibition of November 19 came from the "After School Activities for Children."

Young people come to L'Atelier Gal-



"There's my piece," Becky White, aged 10, points to her art in the "Instant Kandinsky's" show at L'Atelier

lery after school, staying until about 5 p.m. They bring a \$5 fee for each day they come. They can also bring some art

supplies, especially if they wish to work in oils.

Arne Roosman uses various tools:

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Women's Rural Worker

Tamarack Women's Centre, Bancroft

In view of recent legal aid and welfare cuts, some women you know may need help from our new Rural Women's Outreach Worker who can travel all over the country.

Her name is Judy Hatton and she's been hired on a 3 year contract with Trillium Funding. Previously, Judy was our Peer Counsellor, a youth worker, and trained in advocacy at George Brown College.

Do you know women who need information and advice? They may be your friends, family, co-workers, or neighbours: isolated, disadvantaged, teens, single moms, newcomers, women on low incomes, women with low education, seniors, or others.

They may need pensions, help with birth control, child-care, divorce, education/training/work, health, housing, food, legalities, welfare/ence, or self-employment. They may just need new friends and confidence, or info on see page 6

Hospital Considers Economic Statement

By Stewart Smith

"It wasn't quite as bad as we thought it could be," North Hastings District Hospital Administrator, Donna Robinson, commented to the Courier, a few days after the Ontario Economic Statement.

"There were so many rumours..." she recalls.

Still, "It's going to affect us. It's going to hit us." Already the hospital was in a deficit situation, partly from being flat-lined for the past three years.

Stern measures

are being taken over the Christmas season this year: from December 23 to January 7.

During that time the number of patients in the hospital will be reduced to 5. If there are additional problems in that time, "We will have to access the referral hospitals." These have already been warned.

The Physio-Therapy Unit will be closed for that same period, but will re-open afterwards. Other years, many patients

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Craft Show



Kaj Krigsman, of Coe Hill, was one of the many exhibitors at the Legion sponsored Craft Sale in the Legion Hall, Bancroft, on December 2

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from the poet of Gilmour

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Pounding the pavement
I've looked everywhere
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Somewhere?
How am I gonna get off welfare?

They've started harassing
I haven't quit
But they have a quota
I'll surely get hit.
I'm doing my best
It's not good enough
When the powers that be
Decide to get tough.

I had a dream
I took a chance
Now I'm doing
The welfare dance.
There's others out there
Worse off than me,
Trying to raise a family.

That's all behind me
Don't know what's ahead

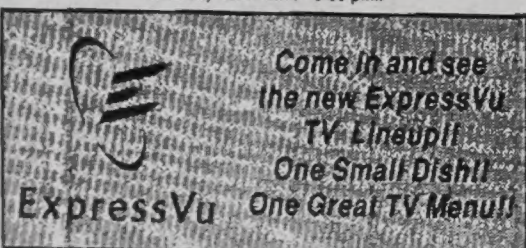
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Furnishings Dedicated

By Stewart Smith

"Lord, today is a day of memories for us. Today we remember the lives and deaths of our loved ones. Today we come with a mixture of sorrow and hope in our minds." The words were from the worship at South Wilberforce United Church, on Sunday, November 19.

The loved ones were honoured by a series of dedications of furnishings for the church.

In the last issue of the Courier we carried a photograph of the stained glass window designed and installed by Dan Eriksen, and dedicated in memory of Sally Mather.

The congregation was reminded, "Sarah (Sally) and her husband Jake moved here in 1946. They operated a boarding house for many years. Their daughter, Linda, was born and Sally's niece came to live with



Moira Wallace and Ethna Barlow stand below the window dedicated in memory of Marion Barclay

them. This was a very busy time in Sally's life but she never neglected her church. Sally was a great organizer and convened many dinners, lunches,

bake sales, and other fund raising efforts for the church. Sally passed away May 31, 1990. Sally was a devout and faithful servant of the Lord."

The window is on the left hand side (looking from inside) of the main door.

Another window, over the main door, was dedicated in honour of Marion Barclay.

"Marion and her husband Terry moved here in 1969. They retired, but Marion, being the ambitious person she was, got very involved with church work and was a very valued organizer of many special events for fund raising as well as dinners, lunches and bake sales. She was also a member of the Community Choir under the direction of Elsie Lewis. Marion and Terry grew beautiful flowers, and

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Elmer Iseler Singers

by Ann W. Smith

A not quite capacity crowd thrilled to the singing of the famed Elmer Iseler Singers of Toronto at the Village Playhouse in Bancroft on Friday, November 17. This was the second presentation in the Algonquin Concert Series, 1995-96, and the first of the Classical Series for this season.

The Elmer Iseler Singers is a 20 voiced chamber choir that has built an enviable international reputation since its debut performance in 1979. Under the leadership of Dr. Elmer Iseler, Canada's pre-eminent choral conductor, this celebrated choir makes over 100 appearances annually throughout Canada, the United States and Europe. The Singers is the professional core of the 190 voice Toronto Mendelssohn Choir.

The Singers began the program with familiar pieces from Cantatas by J.S. Bach: Now Thank We all Our God, Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring, O Sacred Head Now Wounded, The Doxology (from Cantata 130) and And With the Holy Spirit from Mass in B Minor.

More modern songs included 3 Spiritual Melodies during which Nelson Lohnes, baritone, sang a solo part in Let Me Fly.

Also from the modern period the music of Aaron Copland was represented by 4 songs.

The first set after the Intermission was a Canadian Suite of folk or folk style songs. These were She's Like the Swallow (from Newfoundland) arranged by Harry Somers, Keewaydin (Ontario) by Harry Freedman, and A St. Malo (Quebec) arranged by Ernest MacMillan and Derek Holman.

In anticipation

of the Christmas season the last part of the program included classical style songs by Gaudette reflecting the joy of the birth of Jesus. This set began with Rejoice, and included: In Dulci Jubilo, Glory to God in the Highest, Lo, How a Rose, and Let the Earth Resound.

In a lighter vein, the planned program ended with Twas the Night Before Christmas, music by Howard Cable.

The whole program gave the Singers the opportunity to show their versatility and great musical talent as their voices produced clear, true tones and adjusted to the different moods and tempos.

In response to a standing ovation from the audience they returned to the stage for 2 encores, each a strong contrast to the other.

One encore was the traditional English song We Wish You a Merry Christmas sung with great gusto and humour.

The second encore was Amazing Grace sung without piano accompaniment but with deep feeling.

The accompanist for the choir was Carolyn Maule. She was assisted by a Bancroft girl, Anna Drake, who must have been thrilled to be chosen to turn the pages of music.

ADOPT-A-CHILD

Bancroft O.P.P.

As of December 1, a total of 48 children's names have been submitted for "Adoption" and there are still 7 of them that have not been adopted.

Cash donations are starting to come in and any monies collected will be used to purchase the required clothing for those children that were not "adopted" along with as many other children as the donations will al-

low.

So please, if you can afford to "adopt" a child or merely donate to the program, please do so. Every bit helps.

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EDITORIAL

CHRISTMAS: IS IT HERE TO STAY?

by Al Russell, Boulter

Christmas is a Christian tradition. May it never die!

When Jesus was born, the Judean king, Herod, would have stamped out the very reason we celebrate Christmas. But he could not. God lives; therefore the reason for Christmas will always live.

It seems, though, that the modern day watchdogs of political correctness seek to neutralize the true meaning of Christmas. Even though it may be heartfelt, greetings such as Happy Holiday or cards saying Merry Xmas or Season's Greetings do not carry the deep feelings, spoken or written, of Merry Christmas.

Christmas carols and Nativity plays are being banned or at least discouraged by public school administrators. Once these observances are gone, what will be left to witness to Christ's birth?

We would still have the beautiful coloured lights adorning most of our homes at this time of year, and the Christmas tree, ornately decorated, and with gifts, which we give and receive with joy, piled beneath its branches. This is encouraging as it is an indication that the Christmas spirit is still alive in our homes and in our hearts. But just where do lights and the evergreen tree fit into our celebration of Christmas?

Lights are a symbol of understanding in Scripture. Its words are as a light to our path illuminating our way in a darkened world. To me, the beautiful lights also represent the radiant beauty of the Saviour, the Light of the world, embodied in the perfect Christ Child so all is not darkness.

What is the meaning behind the tree? "Evergreens as symbols of survival have a long association with Christmas festivities probably dating back to the 8th century when St. Boniface completed the Christianization of Germany and dedicated the fir tree to the Holy Child to replace the pagan worship of the Sacred oak of Oden." (Encyclopaedia Britannica).

In my mind the Christmas tree symbolizes a life-sustaining presence in our physical world. Trees, and other plants, absorb that which is harmful to us (CO2) and exhale that which is essential (O2).

But Christmas is not about the pine cones and holly berries only. Jesus Christ came to give us spiritual life for the taking. Those who personally believe in Him receive everlasting spiritual life. Jesus Christ left for us His very own thinking as inspired in the Word of God. Just as we breathe in oxygen given off by the tree to sustain life physically, we can "inhale" truths and doctrines found in the Bible to nurture our spiritual lives. When this is done consistently our lives take on genuine meaning and

Flo Elliott Writes from Wilberforce

A LITTLE PARABLE FOR MOTHERS
Submitted by Flo Elliott

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The young mother set her foot on the path of Life. "Is the way long?" she asked.

"Yes," her Guide replied. "And the way is hard. And you will be old before you reach the end of it. And the end will be better than the beginning."

But the youthful Mother was happy, and she would not believe that anything would be better than these years. So she played with her children and she prayed with them. She gathered flowers for them along the way, and bathed them in the clear streams; and the sun shone on them, and life was good, and the young Mother cried, "Nothing will ever be lovelier than this."

Then the night came, and a storm, and the path was dark, and the children shook with fear and cold, and the Mother drew them close, and covered them with her mantle, and the children said, "Oh, Mother, We are not afraid, for you are near, and we know that no harm can come."

And the Mother said, "This is better than the brightness of day, for I have taught my children courage!"

And the morning came, and there was a hill ahead, and the children climbed and grew weary, and the Mother was weary, but at each step she said to the children, "A little patience, and we are there!"

And the children climbed, and when they reached the top, they said, "We could not have done it without you, Mother!"

And the Mother, when she lay down that night, looked up at the stars and said: "This is a better day than the last, for my children have learned fortitude in the face of hardship. Yesterday I gave them courage. Today I have given them strength."

And the next day came strange clouds which darkened the earth - clouds of war and hate and evil, and the children groped and stumbled, and the Mother said: "Look up! Raise your eyes to the light!"

And the children looked and saw above the clouds an Everlasting Glory, and it guided them and brought them beyond the darkness.

And that night the Mother said, "This is the best day of all, for I have shown my children God!"

And the days went on, and the weeks and the months and the years, and the Mother grew old, and she was fragile and bent. But her children were tall and strong, and walked with courage. And then when the way was hard, they helped their mother; and when the way was rough, they lifted her, for she was as light as a feather; and at last they came to a hill, and beyond the hill, they could see a shining road and golden gates flung wide!

And the Mother said: "I have reached the end of my journey! And now I know that the end is better than the beginning, for my children can walk alone, and their children after them!"

And the children said: "You will always walk with us, Mother, even when you are gone through the gates!"

And they stood and watched her as she went on alone, and the gates closed after her. And they said: "We cannot see her, but she is with us still. A Mother like ours is more than a memory. She is a Living Presence!"

- Father Pokorny

At the Bancroft Santa Claus Parade

The Highlands Animal Relief Team was in the Bancroft Santa Claus Parade. They also announced their public introduction, on January 17, in the Seniors Clubhouse, Bancroft

purpose. Carried further, as trees preserve our environment, so spiritually mature believers, as the salt of the earth, preserve our land with a true peace.

It doesn't disturb me that religious education is being taken out of public schools. The very important responsibility of Bible teaching is incumbent upon ministers, spiritually-gifted and well-studied. Of course, the responsibility also weighs heavily upon parents to be living examples to their children and to take them to a church where doctrine is taught. From them also, seeking unbelievers are given the good news of the gospel which can change lives. They would become people of goodwill.

On the night of Jesus' birth the heavenly host said of that momentous event, "Glory to God and on earth, peace to men of goodwill (on whom God's favour rests)."

Christmas will always be here. May it have a much deeper meaning for us than red and green Rice Krispies.

Show At L'Atelier

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watercolour, crayons, charcoal, pencils, to assist the children to express their art. The atmosphere is of a children's drop-in centre.

"We learn more from them than we can ever teach," adds Arne Roosman.

He has comfortable accommodation in the studio for about 10 to 12 children.

Arne Roosman will have - quite separate from the above - Life Drawing

workshops for adults, on certain Monday and Friday evenings, when he has sufficient interested people.

From time to time the gallery might be converted, on a Saturday or Sunday, into a public gallery, "to accommodate small, intimate exhibitions of works by accomplished artists. Notices will be posted locally."

Phone number for the gallery is 613-332-5310.

Kathy Wethy and Friends Will Repeat Show



Kathy Wethy and Cody Schieder-Wethy supervise their display of unique, hand-made pottery for sale at the Christmas Sale in the Village Playhouse. They will be back on December 16

By Stewart Smith

If you missed the Christmas Sale in the Bancroft Village Playhouse on Saturday, December 2, you still have another chance.

The sale will be presented again, on Saturday, December 16, in the same place, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"I wanted to sell pottery," explained Kathy Wethy, organizer of the show. Her pottery is unique and im-

pressive, and even by itself worth a visit to the show.

But she is not by herself. Other crafts people - many of them from the Coe Hill area - joined her. Showing their work are:

- * Judy Hatton;
- * Anne Pronovich;
- * Cynthia McMillan
- * Nancy Brookes-Plumley;
- * Janet Ingrao (Dec. 2 only);
- * Carol Pettit (Dec. 16 only);
- * Annette Young (Dec. 16 only).

They rented the lower floor of the Village Playhouse - beside St.

Paul's United Church, at the corner of Bridge and Hastings Streets, in Bancroft. They found the space just about right for a smaller show by a few friends.

They also found the rental price much to their liking, and remind the community that the Bancroft Village Playhouse would like to rent out its facilities.

A tea room completed the show, with traditional scones, jam in a pot, and mugs which could be purchased after the lunch.

THREE CLUBS PLAN SNOWARAMA

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children with physical disabilities achieve their full individual potential and future independence.

The Eastern Ontario Region of the E.S.S. comprises the area from the western border of Hastings County to the north end of Renfrew County east to the Quebec border.

Two District Offices are Ottawa, (613) 238-6133 and Peterborough (705) 742-6435.

Snowarama began in 1975 and has raised over \$12 million for more than 8,100 child-

ren with physical disabilities in Ontario. There are more than 70 events in Ontario planned for 1996. Bancroft will be one of the 9 new events.

The events are co-ordinated in conjunction with the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs (OFSC) and local Easter Seal service club partners.

The snowmobile clubs taking part provide the groomed trails, and operate a series of checkpoints.

The clubs in the Bancroft Area are the Paudash Trail Blazers, President Glenn Healey, the Maple Leaf Snowskimmers represented by George Milligan, and the Old Hastings Snow Riders represented by Stuart Wilson.

Dan Freymond of the Hastings Heritage Trail Association assured the organizers of his organization's co-operation.

The Bancroft and District Lions Club had been approached to act as the Easter Seal Service Club. The Lion contact assured them of the Club's support.

The Apsley Lions and the Maynooth Lions will probably also take part.

Three co-ordinators for the Snowarama were chosen - Sharon Holman of the Chamber of Commerce, Brian Bates of the Ont-

ario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs and Dan Freymond of the Heritage Trail Association. February 24 was the date set for the local Snowarama.

For more information about the Snowarama contact any of the coordinators or Doug Holman at the Black Forest Schnitzel House on Highway 28 near Silent

Lake Park.

They would like to hear from families who have benefited from the work of the Easter Seal Society or who would like to know more about the work of the Society.

The Easter Seal Society's representatives assured everyone that the money raised in the area is used in the area.

Tamarack Open Saturday Mornings

Tamarack Women's Centre, Bancroft

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Wild Game Supper

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ated for the supper.

The food is prepared by Minnie Compton, a Fraternal Member of the Wilberforce Legion Branch. Members of the Wilberforce L.A. helped prepare the food, and also served it, cafeteria style.

Any who are nervous about wild food could enjoy a feast of tame meat: beef, pork, turkey; cabbage rolls; and so on. There was also home made pie.

People came from many places to

enjoy the wild meat: Oshawa, Toronto, Lindsay; Legion President, Ethel Scott, noted a little wistfully that there were more people from distant places than from Wilberforce and area.

A food hamper was offered as major draw prize. Winner was Gord Clark, of Wilberforce.

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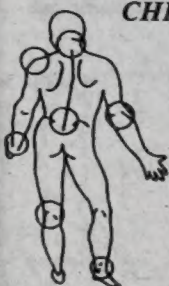
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Dear Amy

Dear Amy,

Life at Christmas seemed so simple when our children were young. But now that they are married things are more complicated.

We have four sons. Their in-laws want them to spend Christmas with them. This of course leaves us alone.

We wish that our family could get together; and yet we understand that the other side of the family want to see them as well. Is there some unselfish way to solve this problem?

- Christmas Dilemma.

Dear Christmas Dilemma:

Christmas is such a joyous time and can be even more wonderful if some of our problems can be resolved. It sounds like you are sincerely looking for an amicable solution to yours.

Is it possible for your sons and their wives and children to go to the wife's side of the family every second year? In this way your whole family could get together every two years.

If this is not possible, could you spend Christmas Eve together?

I know of some couples in your situation who invite in other lonely couples. There is no better therapy for loneliness than doing something for someone else.

Merry Christmas. Amy.

Do you want to discuss a problem with "Dear Amy" (either privately or through this column)? Write: c/o Cardiff Courier, Box 99, Cardiff, Ontario. K0L 1M0.

Women's Rural Travelling Worker

where to get help with a personal problem, or someone to help cut bureaucratic red tape and move the 'system.' Judy is known for her non-judgemental, compassionate and confidential help

approach. She helps women get the knowledge and confidence to make their own decisions. Judy can meet with them individually or in small groups and will bring self help videos and

books from our library. Regular visits to certain towns will be posted on a schedule so you'll know when to expect her. Or you can call to set up appointments in advance.

If you'd like to see her privately, or want Judy to speak with your group, or if your agency is willing

to be a central contact, please let us know, at Tamarack Women's Resource Centre, Bancroft, 613-332-1878.

Tamarack is known as a warm, welcoming place. Last year, each month on average, about 120 women dropped in and 70 women called us for help on a wide variety of issues. Many were repeat visitors. Much of this was due to Judy's abilities. She's looking forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Distressed? Lonely?
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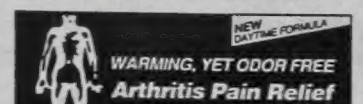
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Bancroft Hosts Santa Claus Parade

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The North Hastings Senior Elementary School had several entries in the Santa Claus Parade, including this "Winter Hay Ride" featuring students - and horses

the parade, with their band riding, and with "walking candles".

* "Jesus is the heart of Christmas," proclaimed Bancroft Christian Academy;

* Coe Hill School students walked as wrapped gifts;

* Bird's Creek Public School - the Old Woman in the Shoe;

* Bancroft Public School award winner - Teddy Bear's Christmas;

* Gilmour Public School - Santa's

Workshop;

* Hermon School - Clifford's Christmas;

* Paudash Public School Panthers;

* Our Lady of Mercy School: "God's World";

* N.H.S.E.S. with cheer-leaders and hay ride;

Several Youth and Children related organizations entered floats. One won the other Best Float award.

* N.H. Community Cupboard;

* North Hastings

Children's Services: award winner;

* N.H. Community Integration Assn;

* Viking Sea Cadets - marching;

* The Switch Yard;

Some other Clubs entered floats.

* Coe Hill Legion Branch 581 made some members ride in a troop carrier;

* U.F.C.W. Food Workers Union;

* Paudash Trail Blazers;

* Algonquin Shrine Club;

* Ride for Sight;

Many commercial businesses entered floats.

* Dean Walker and John Pogue and family;

* Credit Union;

* Bowes & Cocks Real Estate;

* Bancroft Electric Motors;

* Bill Theobald Business Services;

* Family Billiards;

* Park's Valu-Mart, and a large van from National Grocers;

* Bancroft Ready Mix;

* Pizza Pizza;

* Cashway Building Centre;

* Subway;

* Woody's Taxi;

* Wolff System Tanning;

* R.H.Geyer Surveying;

* Ultra Chem-Dry;

* Nancy's Bulk & Basic Foods;

* Sherrie's 4 Service;

* McGhee's;

* K. Edwards Real Estate;

* Chief Star Kennels;

* Sip n Dip;

* Canadian Tire;

The Fire Departments and Rescue services of Bancroft, and Dungan-

non paraded.

The Highland Animal Relief Team entered, and advertised their first public meeting, at the Seniors Clubhouse,

Bancroft, on January 17, at 7 p.m.

Santa Claus rode at the back of the parade. He went from there to Santa's Village House - which will remain open until near Christmas.

With the help of Lions Club members, he gave out candy to the children.

Glasses Found

Bancroft O.P.P.

On Saturday, December 2, police received a pair of glasses that were found at the Ministry of Transport office on Monck Road.

The glasses are described as belonging to a child.

Will the owner please contact the Bancroft O.P.P. at 332-2112 and identify the glasses so that they may be returned.

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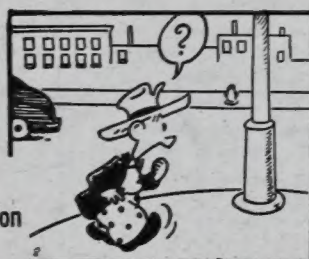
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AMBROSE



G-P Flakeboard Wins Award

By Gord Mackey

G-P Flakeboard was honoured and presented with the Economic Renewal Award at the Bancroft & District Chamber of Commerce annual meeting on November 28, 1995 at the Faraday Community Centre.

G-P Flakeboard is the producer of a low density particleboard. This product has been highly accepted by their customers and is quickly becoming the 'Particleboard of Choice' for the North American market.

The Economic Renewal Award program was initiated in 1993 by The Premier's Council in partnership

with the Ontario Chamber. Each community Chamber of Commerce is invited to nominate one company in their area to receive the award each year.

The nomination of G-P Flakeboard was accepted by the review committee as one of seventeen businesses in Ontario to receive the Economic Renewal Award in 1995. The following criteria were considered when evaluating each of the nominations:

- * innovation in the development of new goods or services
- * positive labour-management relations
- * environmental leadership

- * community involvement
- * success in creating or retaining jobs in Ontario
- * growth in exports or in domestic market share
- * excellence in design
- * use of Ontario's multicultural diversity

Barbara Stokes, district zone 21 director of the Ontario Chamber of Commerce presented Dave Fabbro, Plant Engineer for G-P Flakeboard with the Economic Renewal Award at the Bancroft & District

Chamber of Commerce Annual dinner and meeting on November 28.

James G. Carnegie, Executive Director of the Ontario Chamber of Commerce in announcing the 1995 award recipients said, "The Economic Renewal Award acknowledges businesses that have made a significant contribution to the Province's economic renewal. They are exceptional firms that have made a positive impact on their communities."

Dedicated

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spent their summers in their beautiful gardens. They supplied the church with many beautiful bouquets. Marion passed away October 27, 1994. Marion was a true servant of the Lord."

At the front of the church stands a hand crafted (by Greg Taylor) display cabinet, to hold a Book of Remembrance. The cabinet was dedicated in honour of Florence Coumbs.

"For many years Florence was a strong supporter and worker for the United Church in Tory Hill. In 1954 Florence and her husband Christie and children Doreen & Lyle moved to Wilberforce. She continued her church work here. Florence was a very talented handicraft worker. She spent many hours crafting items for bazaars as well as quilts. She was always on hand to help with our dinners, lunches and bake sales. Florence passed away March

19, 1993. Florence was a loyal and devoted Christian."

Inside the display case will be a Memorial Book honouring the pioneers of the South Wilberforce United church. Calligraphy for the names will be done by Mary Barker, of Wilberforce.

Bob McMath, minister of the Tory Hill Pastoral Charge, and Margaret Harrison, an Elder in the Wilberforce church, assisted in the dedications.

Daughters of all three women being honoured took part in the dedications.

Bob McMath spoke on "Newness" - moving ahead with vision and goals set on God. The Israelites, for example, returning to a destroyed homeland from exile in Babylon, were sustained by the vision (Isaiah 65) that, "God would create a new heaven and a new earth...They were convinced that God was in control."

At the Craft Sale



Fingerprinting - for family records - was available at the December 2 Craft Show in the Legion Hall. Here Sr. Const. Stan Balembo takes the prints of Derek Fraser.

"KEEP THE FAITH" by CRAIG



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Monday, December 11. Christmas Open House at the Red Cross Outpost in Wilberforce. 2 to 4 p.m.; 7 to 9 p.m.

Tuesday, December 12 special Turkey Dinner at Highland Grove Community Centre, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Saturday, December 16 Deadline for Advertising in next Cardiff Courier.

Thursday, December 21 Distribution Day for next Cardiff Courier.

Saturday, December 23. The Ormsby Presbyterian Church will hold its Christmas Service. 7 p.m.

Looking Ahead The Courier will take a rest between Christmas and New Years, but will be back on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of January, and on to regular schedule in the first month of 1996 that has 5 Thursdays. What month is that?

Thursday, January 11. Distribution Day for the first Cardiff Courier of 1996

Hospital Plans

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ents have cancelled Physio appointments during that time.

What about long-term care, and palliative care? Hastings Centennial Manor is filled, and has a waiting list. "We could use more long-term care beds in the north," Donna Robinson pleads.

This will be included in the revitalized Futures Study.

North Hastings District Hospital is also involved with the Ontario

Hospital Association in its efforts to persuade the Minister of Health that "not all hospitals are operating on the same plane." They are asking for special consideration for small hospitals and programs that need help.

The North Hastings District Hospital still faces the shortage of doctors to staff the Emergency Room. That is a problem festering - and certainly not cured.

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11:15 a.m. - St. John's, Bancroft

Come and worship with us.

Groups Join for Cardiff Bazaar



Four of the Cardiff ladies who worked at the Cardiff Community Bazaar. Jean Blackburn models an apron she made. Beside her are U.C.W. President Ruth Rosenblath, Betty Burke "Spruce" of Our Lady of Lourdes and Sandra Jones, President of Cardiff Home and School Association

by Ann W. Smith

The Cardiff Community Bazaar held annually at the Cardiff Community Centre took place on Saturday November 18, from 1 to 3 p.m.

Several attractively decorated tea tables were set up and served by the Cardiff Home and School Association. A snack of sandwiches, cakes and cookies was served with tea at \$3 per person.

The ladies of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic

Church had a long table set up opposite the main doors. From this display they were selling baking, Maple syrup, all types of hand knitted clothing from mitts and socks to adult sweaters and baby clothes. They also had Mary Kay cosmetics, washcloth and soap sets attractively arranged to be suitable for gifts.

The United Church Women of the Cardiff United Church also had a large selection of baked goods, as well as a good selection of hand knitted clothes. They also offered for sale plants, decorated clothes hangers, Christmas decorations and other hand crafted items. The Angli-

can/United Church Calendar for 1996 was also available.

Both sets of women showed creativity and imagination in the things they made.

Rocking Chair Stolen

BANCROFT OPP

On Friday, December 1, police received a complaint of a theft of a rocking chair from the rear of a

pick up truck parked at Bancroft Motors. The chair is described as being a swivel rocker, blue and gray in colour.

Winter Road Conditions

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For area codes 705 call toll free 1-800-461-9526 or 1-800-461-9523.

For 416 area codes call toll free 1-800-268-1376 or 1-800-268-1387.

You may also call the road service numbers direct thereby eliminating part of the telephone voice mail system. If you would like a list of these numbers, please give the Haliburton County Information Centre a call or

drop in to the Information Centre.

Have you a question that needs answering? Do you require support or assistance in accessing services?

We can help. Contact your Haliburton County Information Centre Inc. In Haliburton the Centre is located on Maple Ave. in the Drag River Building. Or phone 705-457-2733 Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon; 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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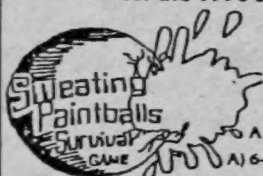
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BICROFT COUNCIL

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2) South of Indusmen Mine, and in the other phone exchange, to Campbellford.

Asked about Court Bernie Gaw hesitated, "It's in the works." All the area policed by Bancroft Detachment should finally go to Court in Bancroft.

The rest of the presentation was about practicality.

Bancroft O.P.P. office cannot accommodate the two police forces. Therefore the Apsley O.P.P. office will remain in use. Mr. Gaw added, "I think there'll always be a presence in Apsley."

Bicroft and Cardiff, near Bancroft, will tend to be policed from Bancroft. "We can provide a better service to the people in our area," Bernie Gaw again stated the purpose.

In addition, "We will try to make divisions [between Detachments] practical." Detachment boundaries will be according to road access, not strictly municipal boundaries.

Citizens of Bicroft and Cardiff, especially after January 1, 1996, will contact the O.P.P. by calling 1-800-267-7444. For December, from Bicroft and Cardiff calls can be made to 1-800-461-6488.

Not affected by these changes are Monmouth and Harcourt, which continue to be served by Minden O.P.P.

DEVELOPMENT CORP

Austin Fults reported for the Haliburton County Development Corporation, on which

he is Bicroft's representative.

Unlike some other Business Development Banks, the Haliburton CDC has been conscientious in loaning out its money. "We've got it out there working for us," Austin Fults assured Council: in the community, creating or maintaining 1,256 jobs. There are, he sadly notes, no loans in Bicroft.

CONTINENTAL CLUB

Erik Heller, from the Continental Club (which meets in the Cardiff Community Centre) offered, "We would like to paint the whole hall. Is it allowed?" The Club would supply materials and labour. It would hope to do the work in January or February, and should be completed in two days.

Yes, Bicroft accepted the kind offer. Sandra McColl will work with the Club on details - such as paint colour.

By the way: All Community Centre users are warned: Do not use tape of any kind to fasten decorations to the ceiling tiles. It damages the tiles.

GARBAGE COLLECTION

Tenders from two bidders were opened and examined.

Campeau Disposal Services was awarded both contracts.

DECEMBER

Bicroft Township Office will be closed from December 23 to January 1 inclusive.

The December Council meeting will be on Thursday, December 14, at 7 p.m.

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